

**REMARKS**

Claims 36 - 63 are pending in the present application. Claims 36 - 46 and 55 have been allowed. Claims 47 - 54 and 56 - 63 stand rejected. Applicants previously cancelled claims 47 - 54 and 56 - 63 (May 16, 2007 Amendment).

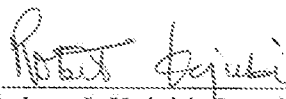
Applicants hereby submit this Request for Continued Examination to ensure that Office enters Applicants' previously submitted Amendment of May 16, 2007. While Applicants timely submitted the aforementioned Amendment, no action was taken by the Examiner since that submission.

Applicants respectfully maintain that the Amendment of May 16, 2007 places the present application in condition for allowance. Should there be any remaining formal or substantive issues capable of resolution by a teleconference or Examiner Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Attorney.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee required and any additional fees that may be needed to Deposit Account No. **18-1982**.

Respectfully submitted,

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